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In re application of:

David Hemker et al.

Application No. 10/029,520

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For: METHOD FOR PERFORMING  
SITE-SPECIFIC BACKSIDE PARTICLE  
AND CONTAMINATION REMOVAL

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2004. A response to this Office Action is due on July 26, 2004 with a one-month extension. Please enter the following amendments and remarks as follows:

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Applicant's **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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